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DEFINITION OF CLAIM

Pursuant to 42 CFR 447.45(b), a claim is defined as a bill for services.

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Guidelines Used to Determine When to Seek Reimbursement From a Liable Third Party

The following criteria are used in selecting claims which will be billed to third party insurers, or will be investigated for further collection action:

Health Insurance Thresholds

- Selection of claims to accumulate are those equal to or greater than \$4.00. The accumulation is for those claims with dates of service within each calendar year.
- Accumulation billing threshold is \$100.00 if the insurer is Blue Cross/Blue Shield United of Wisconsin. For any other insurance plan with a known annual deductible of more than \$50, the accumulation billing threshold is \$100.00. All other plans or carrier are billed when the accumulation is \$50 or more.
- Other bill and purge criteria:
 - a) If by March of the following year the prior year's date-of-service accumulation equals 50% or more of the billing threshold, then the accumulated amount is billed to the liable third party;
 - b) If by March of the following year the prior year's date-of-service accumulation equals less than 50% of the billing threshold, the accumulated amount is purged from the TPL system and not billed to a liable third party.

Personal Injury Liability Thresholds

- For purposes of investigating a trauma claim, \$200 is used as the threshold amount.
- If referral information on identification of a billing request is received from a provider or county agency source (indicating potential liability action by a recipient, attorney or adjustor), action for recovery is triggered regardless of the dollar amount involved.
- Trauma claims with dollar amounts of less than \$200 may be investigated if staff time permits such action.

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